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                 Opening up Kenwood battery pack

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Many thanks to everyone posting & emailing all this good info!!!

Due to type-accepted restrictions & permits required...think I'll unplug  
the solder iron for modifying my HT on transmit..but now I can monitor the  
bands, see if its worth the expense or getting a marine rig!

73, Tom Baltz      KC5HEG    trb@cray.com

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Date: Wed, 13 Jul 1994 01:24:50 GMT  
From: psinntp!isc-newsserver!ultb!jdc3538@uunet.uu.net  
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In article <Csu66z.5o4@nntpa.cb.att.com> wa2sff@arch4.ho.att.com () writes:

>The PB-6 pack is glued together. On at least one of my packs, the

>glue joint was weak on one side of the pack. Also the glue joint

>appears to be spotty rather than continuous around the joint.

>I pushed on the joint with a needle nose pliers. That broke the joint.

>I then made a tool by bending a ground lug into the shape of an L.

>I was then able to slide the ground lug around the joint on three

>of the four sides (top surface is not glued).

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>The pack then opened up. I replaced the cells and wrapped them with

>double sided carpet tape and put the case back together.

>I used no glue, just the double sided tape.

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>I had a small amount of damage on the case where the solder lug

>slipped, but overall, no worse than scratches from use.

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>Alternate solution:

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>Haven't tried this one. I was told that putting the case in the

>freezer makes the glue brittle and then the glue joints will break

>when hit or pushed on with an object.

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>Joe Wilkes

I'll try the cold/break glue method, then go for more destructive techniques.

Here's another criteria for selecting HT's: Look for one that lets you easily replace the cells when they finally die. Icom/Radio Shack win on that one. Are there any others that use screws? Are all the aftermarket packs assembled with screws, or do they glue too?

73...Jim

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